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investigated in the printer-specific data format for distinguishing between form data [(8)] and variable data [(9)].

Add new claims 20 and 21 as follows:

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- 20. A method as claimed in claim 1, further comprising the step of: converting a data stream is converted from the printer-specific data format into a data format based on pixels.
- 21. A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said overlay information is selected from the information consisting of control information, macro information, graphic information, predetermined text modules and predetermined text attributes.

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IN THE ABSTRACT

Add the abstract as set forth on the attached page.

REMARKS

The foregoing amendments to the specification and claims under Article
41 of the Patent Cooperation Treaty place the application into a form for
prosecution before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office under 35 U.S.C. §371.

Accordingly, entry of these amendments before examination on the merits is hereby requested.

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Enclosed is a copy of the drawings as originally filed, a copy of the seven sheets of drawings as corrected under Rule 26 of the PCT, and a copy of the drawings marked with the English translation of the German terms.

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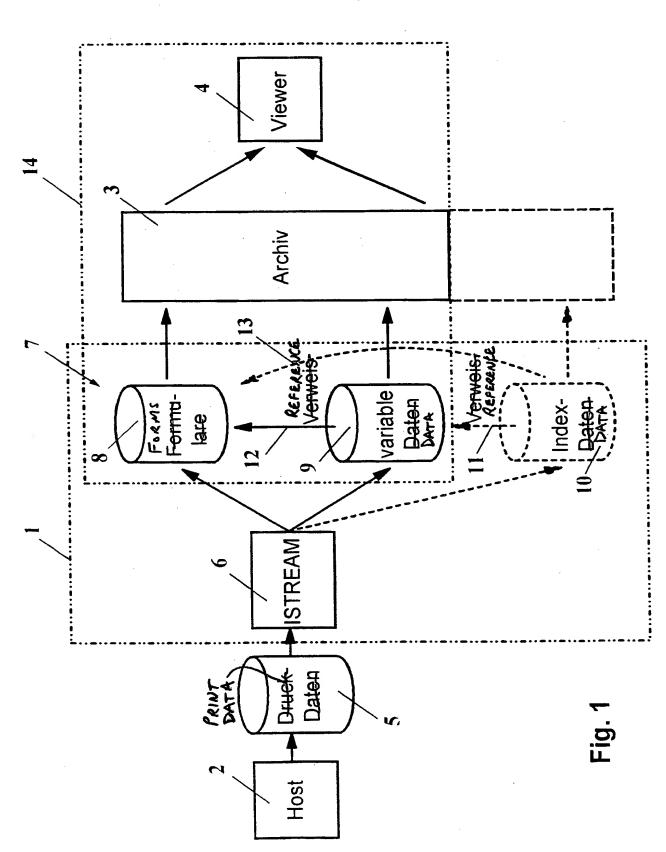
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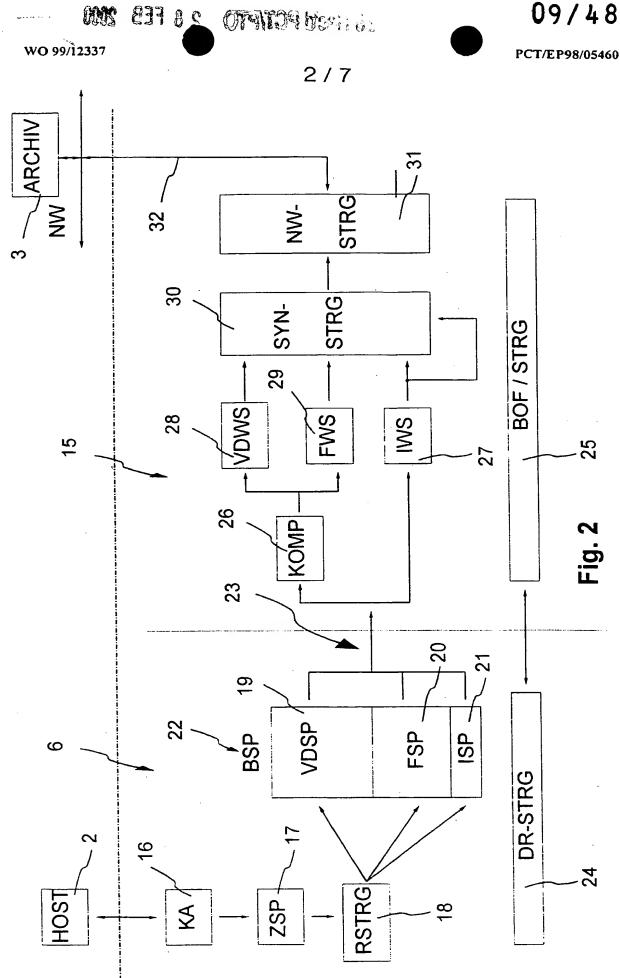
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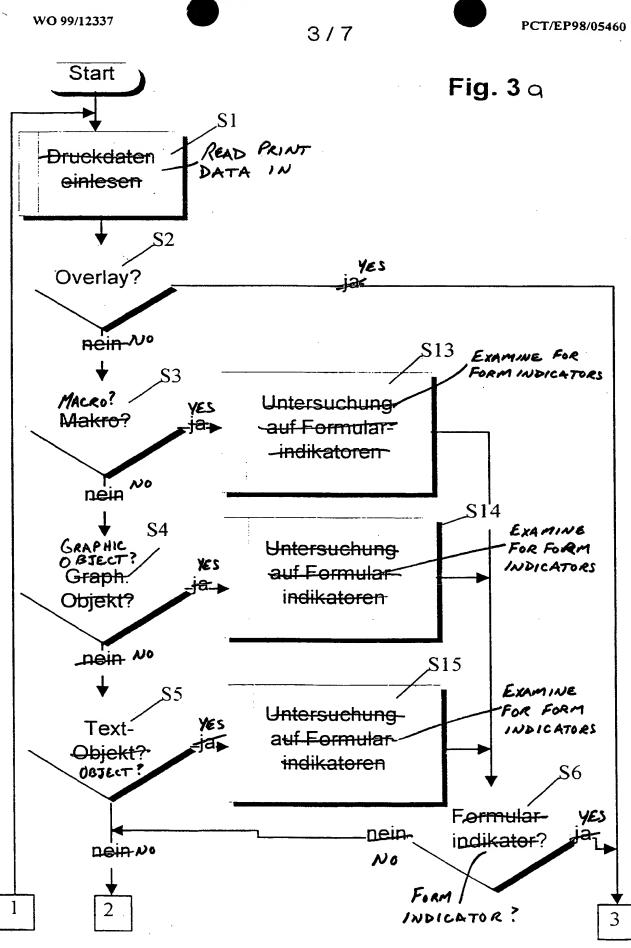
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